

lottery question to the vote of the people. If there is no further discussion....Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Just one brief comment. Why don't we amend the bill and why don't we pass it off General File and put it on Select File and see what happens. We are all anticipating something that may or may not happen. This is one way to get the people of this state activated to the point that if they are against it as many people think that they are to the extent that they think they are. They will show up and if they don't show up then if they don't show up it shows some kind of disinterest and then we can make up our minds if we want to do it on Final Reading if we get that far.

PRESIDENT: I see no one else asking for the floor. Senator DeCamp you may close on your motion to amend.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, just to answer some of Senator Nore's questions and they are certainly valid questions. Think back to the first words that he said. He said "I'd almost bet" that the people of Nebraska don't want a lottery bill. Senator Nore, I'll accept that wager. Now will you accept giving the people the right to express whether they do or don't?

SPEAKER: Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President, Senator DeCamp, I'm not a gambler.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Do you play the board of trades?

SENATOR NORE: The board of trade...is...

SENATOR DE CAMP: Do you plant corn when not knowing what the weather is going to be?

SENATOR NORE: The board of trade is not gambling. Gambling now let me give you the definition of gambling. Gambling is taking an unnatural risk. That is gambling. When you take a natural risk of walking across the floor here, it is a natural risk. That is speculative.

SENATOR DE CAMP: I would say that in this place it is highly speculative.

SENATOR NORE: Lets not get speculation mixed up with gambling.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Mr. President, I have no further closing other than to say that this is not a constitutional amendment. All it is is an expression of the people whether they want the thing or not.

SPEAKER: Are you ready for the question? Question is Senator Cal Carsten.

SENATOR C. CARSTEN: Mr. President, I would like some clarification here as to just what it is that we are voting on. If we are going to put it before the people.

SPEAKER: Are you requesting a clarification from the Chair?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes.